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THE WEEK

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FOR THE WEEK OF

CITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 27** Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.
Historic Architectural Review Board, 7:30 p.m.
- 29** Farmers Market, 8 a.m.-Noon
Commissioner of the Revenue & Treasurer's Offices Open, 9 a.m.-Noon

OCTOBER

- 1** Fourth Quarter Business License Tax Payment Due (If Eligible)
Yard Waste, Bundled Brush, & Special Collections
Youth Basketball Registration Begins
Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.
City Council Work Session, 7:30 p.m.
Planning Commission, 7:45 p.m.
- 2** Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.
Economic Development Authority, 6:30 p.m.
Board of Equalization, 7 p.m.
- 3** General District Court in Session
Board of Equalization, 7 p.m.
Falls Church Cable Access Board, 7 p.m.
Recreation & Parks Advisory Board, 7 p.m.
Story Hour, 7 p.m.
Architectural Advisory Board, 7:45 p.m.
- 4** Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.
- 5** 2007 Personal Property Tax Bills Due (Paid in Treasurer's Office)
FIRST Friday Event

Fall Recycling Extravaganza a Success!

Earlier this month, the City of Falls Church held its semiannual Recycling Extravaganza. Tons of electronics, textiles, bikes, cell phones, eye glasses, medical supplies and more were diverted from the waste stream to the recycling or reuse stream. In just five hours, volunteers helped to collect:

- 17.2 tons of electronics
- 2 tons of textiles and clothing
- 134 bikes
- Dozens of cell phones, printer cartridges, eye glasses, and more!

The event was sponsored by the Environmental Services Council and the Department of Environmental Services. Thanks to the many wonderful volunteers who donated their time in order to make this event possible. The next Recycling Extravaganza will be held April 26, 2008.



Register for the City's Online Newsletter at www.fallschurchva.gov



alert.fallschurchva.gov
Register to Receive Emergency Alerts

Fight the Bite! Protect Yourself From West Nile Virus

The City of Falls Church wants you to say "NO to Mosquitoes" this fall. Despite cooler temperatures, mosquitoes and the diseases they may carry, including West Nile Virus (WNV), continue to be a threat. Take the following steps to **Fight the Bite** and protect yourself from WNV:

- Apply insect repellent to exposed skin. Choose a repellent that provides protection for the amount of time that you will be outdoors.
- When weather permits, wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants whenever you are outdoors.
- Place mosquito netting over infant carriers when you are outdoors with infants.
- Consider staying indoors at dawn, dusk, and in the early evening, which are peak mosquito biting times.
- Install or repair window and door screens so that mosquitoes cannot get indoors.

Remember to **Tip and Toss** to eliminate mosquito breeding sites around your property:

- At least once or twice a week, empty water from flower pots, pet food and water dishes, bird-baths, swimming pool covers, buckets, barrels, and cans.
- Check for clogged rain gutters and clean them out.
- Remove discarded tires, and other items that could collect water.
- Be sure to check for containers or trash in places that may be hard to see, such as under bushes or under your home.

To report standing water, dead birds, or other WNV-related problems, contact the City's Housing & Human Services Division at 703-248-5005 (TTY 711) or register a report through the City's CLASS system at www.fallschurchva.gov/ClassHome.

7th Annual Student Art Contest Submission Deadline Next Week

Would you like to see your artwork in Falls Church City's 2008 Calendar? Then enter the Falls Church City Student Art Contest today!

Submission Requirements:

- Illustrate the theme: **My Favorite Place in Falls Church City**. Is it your backyard, the library, or somewhere else? Show us!
- Must be original to the 7th Annual Student Art Contest. Do not resubmit artwork from previous contests.
- Must not be edible (e.g. Cheerios, macaroni noodles, etc.).
- Must not require storage at a certain temperature or in a special setup.
- Must include the following information on the back of the entry:

name, age, grade, school attending, parent/guardian, address, phone number, and location depicted in artwork.

Deadline for entries is next Friday, Oct. 5, 2007.

Students must either attend a City of Falls Church school or reside in the City. No more than three entries per person.

Mail or deliver entries to:

Office of Communications
Falls Church City Hall
300 Park Avenue, 303 East
Falls Church, VA 22046

Questions? Call 703-248-5003 (TTY 711) or e-mail publicinfo@fallschurchva.gov.

Thanks For Helping Us Save Lives

Falls Church City Manager Wyatt Shields gave the gift of life at the City blood drive on Friday, Sept. 21. City Government staff and area residents boarded the Inova Bloodmobile to donate blood. The current blood shortage is so critical there is less than a one-day supply of most blood types. If you can, please donate to give patients in our community the chance to stay alive. To schedule an appointment to donate or for more information, please call 1-866-BloodSaves (866-256-6372).



Classes and Events

Special Events

Invasive Plant Removal Party

Saturday, Sept. 29, 10 a.m.-noon
Crossman Park, meet at Van Buren Street entrance
Help reduce "Green Pollution" by removing invasive plants at Crossman Park. Invasive plants are plants that have been introduced from other countries or regions that have taken over our natural areas. They spread and grow rapidly, resulting in a loss of habitat for native insects, birds, and other wildlife. Call 703-248-5016 (TTY 711) for more information.

Farm Day

Saturday, Oct. 6, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Cherry Hill Park, 312 Park Ave.
Enjoy old-fashioned activities for the entire family, including hayrides, pony rides, a petting farm, scarecrow making, pumpkin painting, beekeeping, blacksmithing, live music and more! Free tours of the 1845 Cherry Hill Farmhouse and Barn are also available. Admission is free, however nominal fees apply to some activities. Call 703-248-5171 (TTY 711) for more information.

Fall Cleanup

Saturday, Oct. 6, 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Meet in Front of the Falls Church Community Center, 223 Little Falls St.
Volunteer to beautify the City through a morning of litter pickup. Free picnic lunch provided, courtesy of Falls Church City restaurants. Sponsored by the Department of Environmental Services and the Falls Church Environmental Services Council. Rain or shine. Please call 703-248-5176 (TTY 711) to register.

Tree Planting Party

Saturday, Oct. 27, 9:30 a.m.-Noon
Rain Date: Sunday, Oct. 28 or Saturday, Nov. 10

Meet at the corner of North Oak Street and Fulton Avenue to join in this fun fall planting party and learn how to plant a tree. New trees will be planted in the City right-of-way along Fulton Avenue. To volunteer at this event, call 703-536-3049 or e-mail colsel@verizon.net. To see if your right-of-way qualifies for a free street tree, contact the City Arborist at 703-248-5183 (TTY 711) or e-mail jspence@fallschurchva.gov.

Tree Squad Planting

Saturday, Nov. 17, 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Location TBD
Experienced tree planters needed to plant trees in the City right-of-way adjacent to properties where owners have requested a free street tree. Learn new landscaping skills and enjoy the crisp fall weather. To volunteer at this event, call 703-536-3049 or e-mail colsel@verizon.net. To see if your right-of-way qualifies for a free street tree, contact the City Arborist at 703-248-5183 (TTY 711) or e-mail jspence@fallschurchva.gov.

Mary Riley Styles Library Activities

120 N. Virginia Ave.
Value Line Investment Survey Seminars
Saturday, Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m.
Monday, Oct. 15, 7:30 p.m.
The library is offering two free one-hour seminars on interpreting and using company data found on the Value Line Investment Survey. Register at the Reference Desk or call 703-248-5035 (TTY 711).



City of Falls Church
Farmers Market
Every Saturday
from 8 a.m. - Noon

Going Green

Fall Cleanup Volunteers Needed

Join in the fun of working together! Volunteers are needed for the City's 19th Annual Fall Cleanup on Saturday, Oct. 6. Meet in front of the Falls Church City Community Center (223 Little Falls St.) at 10 a.m. to pick up materials and receive work assignments. This event will be held rain or shine from 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. with picnic lunch to follow, courtesy of Falls Church City restaurants. The Fall Cleanup is cosponsored by the Department of Environmental Services and the Falls Church Environmental Services Council. Call 703-248-5176 (TTY 711) to volunteer or for more information.

Looking for a Fun Fall Activity?

Then register for one of the many classes offered by the Recreation & Parks Division. The following classes have limited space. Registration is ongoing until classes fill.

Music Together®

Mom & Me (Ages 2-3 with parent)

Tiny Tunes (Ages Birth-18 months)

Preschool Dance with Me Class (Ages 2-5)

Tumbling Class (Ages 12 & under)

Super Squad Cheer Team (Ages 12 & under)

Pre-teen Hip-Hop (Ages 8-11)

Hip Hop II/III

Adult Salsa

Belly dancing (Ages 16 & up)

NEW!!! Teen belly dancing (Ages 13-18)

Yoga for Fitness

Step Aerobics

Rise and Shine Step Aerobics

Body Toning

Noon Workout

Yoga for Little Ones (Ages 18 months-3 years)

Kick Boxing Aerobics

Advanced Karate (Ages 13 & up)

Dog Obedience

Table Manners for Children (Age 5-7)

Savvy Dining Skills for Children (Ages 8-12)

Falls Church Recreation & Parks Division
223 Little Falls Street
Falls Church, VA 22046
703-248-5077*

Phone Numbers

Open Gym/Weather Hotline 703-248-5125*
Special Events Hotline 703-248-5178*
Fax 703-536-5125
Senior Center 703-248-5020/21*

Community Center Hours

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. - Midnight
Saturday 8:30 a.m. - Midnight
Sunday Noon - 6 p.m.

Open Gym Hours

Open Gym hours are updated on a bi-weekly basis and are also posted on the Open Gym Hotline, 703-248-5125*. All hours are subject to change.

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